

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 1191, Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act, as amended.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S2699–S2741*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty-six bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1238–1263, S.J. Res. 15–16, S. Res. 174–175, and S. Con. Res. 16. **Pages S2729–30**

#### **Measures Passed:**

***Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act:*** By 98 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 174), Senate passed H.R. 1191, to provide for congressional review and oversight of agreements relating to Iran's nuclear program, after amending the title, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2725–26**

#### **Adopted:**

Corker/Cardin Amendment No. 1219 (to Amendment No. 1140), to make technical changes. **Page S2721**

Corker/Cardin Amendment No. 1140, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2725**

Corker Amendment No. 1220, to amend the title. **Page S2726**

#### **Withdrawn:**

Corker/Cardin Amendment No. 1179 (to Amendment No. 1140), to require submission of all Persian text included in the agreement. **Pages S2721, S2725**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 93 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. 173), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on Corker/Cardin Amendment No. 1140 (listed above). **Page S2725**

Chair sustained a point of order that the following amendments were not germane, and the amendments thus fell: **Page S2725**

Blunt Amendment No. 1155 (to Amendment No. 1140), to extend the requirement for annual Department of Defense reports on the military power of Iran. **Page S2725**

Vitter Modified Amendment No. 1186 (to Amendment No. 1179), to require an assessment of inadequacies in the international monitoring and verification system as they relate to a nuclear agreement with Iran. **Page S2725**

Cotton Amendment No. 1197 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 1140), of a perfecting nature. **Page S2725**

Cotton (for Rubio) Amendment No. 1198 (to Amendment No. 1197), to require a certification that Iran's leaders have publically accepted Israel's right to exist as a Jewish state, fell when Cotton Amendment No. 1197 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 1140) (listed above) was ruled not germane by the Chair. **Page S2725**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to invoke cloture on the bill, be withdrawn. **Page S2725**

***Recognizing the Roles and Contributions of Teachers:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 175, recognizing the roles and contributions of the teachers of the United States to building and enhancing the civic, cultural, and economic well-being of the United States. **Page S2734**

#### **Measures Considered:**

***Ensuring Tax Exempt Organizations the Right to Appeal Act—Cloture:*** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1314, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a right to an administrative appeal relating to adverse determinations of tax-exempt status of certain organizations. **Pages S2699–S2702, S2726–27**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday May 7, 2015, a vote on cloture will occur at 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, May 12, 2015. **Page S2733**

**United States Citizens in Iran—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that S. Con. Res. 16, stating the policy of the United States regarding the release of United States citizens in Iran, be placed on the Calendar, and that at 5 p.m., on Monday, May 11, 2015, Senate begin consideration of the concurrent resolution, that there be 30 minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form, and then Senate vote on adoption of the concurrent resolution, with no intervening action or debate.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Jennifer Zimdahl Galt, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to Mongolia.

David R. Gilmour, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic.

James Desmond Melville, Jr., of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia.

Peter F. Mulrean, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Haiti.

Edwin Richard Nolan, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname.

Karen Bollinger DeSalvo, of Louisiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service.

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**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Juan M. Garcia III, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, which was sent to the Senate on March 19, 2015.

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**Measures Placed on the Calendar:**

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**

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**Additional Statements:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:**

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**Privileges of the Floor:**

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—174)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 5:35 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, May 11, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2734.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine child nutrition programs, after receiving testimony from Stephen M. Lord, Managing Director, Forensic Audits and Investigative Service, Government Accountability Office; Richard J. Goff, West Virginia Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs Office of Child Nutrition Executive Director, Charleston; Zoe Neuberger, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington, D.C.; Brian Riendeau, Dare to Care Food Bank, Louisville, Kentucky, on behalf of Feeding America; Cindy Jones, Olathe Public Schools District 233, Olathe, Kansas, on behalf of the School Nutrition Association of Kansas; and Sandra G. Hassink, American Academy of Pediatrics, Wilmington, Delaware.

### RURAL HEALTH

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine rural health, after receiving testimony from Sean Cavanaugh, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Medicare, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, and Thomas Morris, Associate Administrator, Federal Office of Rural Health Policy, Health Resources and Services Administration, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Tim Wolters, Citizens Memorial Hospital, Bolivar, Missouri; Kristi Henderson, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson; Julie Petersen, PMH Medical Center, Prosser, Washington; and George Stover, Hospital District #1 of Rice County, Lyons, Kansas.

### APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2016 for the Department of Justice, after receiving testimony from Loretta E. Lynch, Attorney General, Department of Justice.

### SOCIAL MEDIA IN THE NEXT EVOLUTION OF TERRORIST RECRUITMENT

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine social media in the next evolution of terrorist recruitment, after receiving testimony from Peter Bergen, New America Foundation, J.M. Berger, The Brookings Institution, and Daveed Gartenstein-Ross,

Foundation for Defense of Democracies, all of Washington, D.C.; and Mubin Shaikh, Toronto, Canada.

#### PATENT ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1137, to amend title 35, United States Code, and the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act to make improvements and technical corrections, after receiving testimony from Mark Chandler, Cisco Systems Inc., Washington, D.C.; Kevin H. Rhodes, 3M Company, St. Paul, Min-

nesota, on behalf of the Coalition for 21st Century Patent Reform; Diane Lettelleir, J.C. Penny Corporation, Inc., Plano, Texas; and Henry Hadad, Bristol-Myers Squibb, and Julie P. Samuels, Engine, both of New York, New York.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet in a Pro Forma Session at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 8, 2015.

### *Committee Meetings*

No hearings were held.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2015

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

3 p.m., Monday, May 11

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 5 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of S. Con. Res. 16, United States Citizens in Iran, and vote on adoption of the concurrent resolution at 5:30 p.m.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

11 a.m., Friday, May 8

## House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** The House is scheduled to meet in a Pro Forma session at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 8, 2015.



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